

This following is intended to provide the public with basic information of potential federal assistance and funding opportunities. Those interested in these or similar programs should contact the appropriate federal and state agencies for detailed information.

This list is not exhaustive but representative of various funding opportunities, resources and notices from the Federal Government of interest to the Fifth District. This information is subject to change and additional requirements, restrictions and guidance may apply.

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Search for grant opportunities

For more info:

http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=?mode=CATSEARCH&fundActivity=RA

www.recovery.gov

Business Opportunities

https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&tab=searchresults&mode=list&_filt=rec_na

United States Office of Personnel Management

US Government Jobs

The US Office of Personnel Management recently launched a new web site devoted to Jobs with the US Government related to the RECOVERY ACT.

For more info:

Go to: http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/a9recoveryjobs.asp for details.

United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Announcement

U.S. Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan on March 31 announced HUD will speed federal disaster assistance to seven counties in Massachusetts and provide support to homeowners and low-income renters forced from their homes following the ongoing severe storm and flooding this month. On Monday, President Obama issued a disaster declaration for Bristol, Essex, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, and Worchester Counties. The President's declaration allows HUD to offer foreclosure relief and other assistance to certain families living in these counties.

 HUD granted a 90-day moratorium on foreclosures and forbearance on foreclosures of Federal Housing Administration (FHA)-insured home mortgages

For more info:

http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/states/massachusetts/news/HUDNo.2010-03-31

United States Department of Treasury

Information Center for Business

Find out information related to TAXES for Business: http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,id=204335,00.html?portlet=6

Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment (HIRE) Act

Employers who hire unemployed workers this year (after Feb. 3, 2010 and before Jan. 1, 2011) may qualify for a 6.2-percent payroll tax incentive, in effect exempting them from their share of Social Security taxes on wages paid to these workers after the date of enactment. This reduced tax withholding will have no effect on the employee's future Social Security benefits, and employers would still need to withhold the employee's 6.2-percent share of Social Security taxes, as well as income taxes. The employer and employee's shares of Medicare taxes would also still apply to these wages. In addition, for each worker retained for at least a year, businesses may claim an additional general business tax credit, up to \$1,000 per worker, when they file their 2011 income tax returns.

For more info:

http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=220326,00.html

United States Department of Veterans Affairs

Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship

Public Law 111-32, the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship, amends the Post-9/11 GI Bill (chapter 33) to include the children of service members who die in the line of duty after Sept. 10, 2001. The benefit is effective August 1, 2009; the same day the Post-9/11 GI Bill takes effect. Eligible children attending school may receive up to the highest public, in-state undergraduate tuition and fees, plus a monthly living stipend and book allowance under this program.

Who is Eligible:

Children of an active duty member of the Armed Forces who has died in the line of duty on or after September 11, 2001, are eligible for this benefit. A child may be married or over 23 and still be eligible.

Eligible children:

- are entitled to 36 months of benefits at the 100% level
- have 15 years to use the benefit beginning on his/her 18th birthday
- may use the benefit until his or her 33rd birthday
- cannot use benefit before age 18, even if he or she has completed high school
- are not eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program

Rules for eligible children serving, or who have served, in the Armed Forces:

- If the child is eligible under the Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve, and/or the Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP), then he or she must relinquish eligibility under one of those programs to receive benefits under Post-9/11 GI Bill
- A child's character of discharge from his or her own service does not impact eligibility resulting from the line of duty death of a parent
- A child on active duty will receive benefits at the active duty benefit rate (eligible for unlimited tuition and fees but not eligible for monthly housing allowance or books and supplies stipend)
- A child who meets the service requirements to transfer entitlement under Post-9/11 GI Bill may be eligible to transfer up to 36 months of entitlement to his or her dependents.

For more info:

http://www.gibill.va.gov/documents/fry_scholarship.pdf

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Recent Grant Notices

For more info:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=AGENCYSEARCH&agency=HHS

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality - Contracting Opportunity

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is soliciting proposals on a Full and Open Basis, for an Academic Detailing Initiative, to be funded with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, (ARRA) funds. "Academic Detailing" – The purpose of this solicitation is to contract with an organization to conduct activities related to academic detailing so that selected target audiences put AHRQ's comparative effectiveness products, tools and research into practice.

For more info:

 $\underline{https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity\&mode=form\&tab=core\&id=4b1df43828ae2341bb56ba5c521ec1f6\&_cview=0$

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Office of Public Health and Science - Teenage Pregnancy Prevention: Replication of Evidence-based Programs

This is a new program from the Department of Health and Human Services to provide grants to reduce teen pregnancy through a wide variety of evidence-based initiatives that use medically accurate information approaches.

Application deadline: June 1, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and public agencies

For more info:

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=11500

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families - Teenage Pregnancy Prevention: Research and Demonstration Programs and Personal Responsibility Education Program

The Department of Health and Human Services will provide grants to support research and demonstration programs that will develop, replicate, refine, and test additional models and innovative strategies for preventing teenage pregnancy.

Application deadline: June 8, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and public agencies

For more info:

https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=11518

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration - Community Resilience and Recovery Initiative

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration is accepting applications for fiscal year 2010 Community Resilience and Recovery Initiative (CRRI) grants. The purpose of this place-based initiative is to improve behavioral health outcomes through enhanced coordination and evidence-based health promotion, illness prevention, treatment, and recovery support services in communities affected by the recent economic downturn.

Application deadline: May 28, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Mayors' offices, offices of county executives or territorial governments, and the highest ranking official or the duly authorized official of a federally recognized tribal organization in communities of high levels of unemployment

For more info:

http://samhsa.gov/Grants/2010/SM-10-015.aspx

United States Environmental Protection Agency

2010 Environmental Research Grant Announcements

2010 Science To Achieve Results (STAR) Research Grants EPA Grants

Computational Toxicology: Biologically-Based Multi-Scale Modeling - Open: April 15, 2010 - Closing: July 15, 2010

- Environmental Factors in the School Environment Influencing Children's Health and Performance Opens May 2010
- Understanding Day Care Environments of Children Opens June 2010 Postponed until 2011
- Black Carbon's Role In Global To Local Scale Climate And Air Quality Open: May 19, 2010 Closing: September 22, 2010
- Dynamic Air Quality Management Opens October 2010
- Coarse Particulate Matter Opens November 2010
- Tribal Environmental Health Science Opens March 2010 Postponed until 2011

2010 Other EPA Grants

 Research to Improve Risk Communication Strategies During and After the Decontamination/Clearance Phase of an Intentional Biological Release - Open: April 5, 2010 - Closing: July 8, 2010

2011 EPA and Other NCER Environmental Research Competitions

- 8th Annual P3 Awards: A National Student Design Competition for Sustainability Focusing on People, Prosperity and the Planet - Opens September 2010
- SBIR Phase 1 HTML | PDF (61 pp. 3 MB, about PDF) | MS Word (57 pp. 339 K) Closed

2011 EPA Environmental Research Fellowships

- Fall 2010 EPA Science To Achieve Results (Star) Fellowships For Graduate Environmental Study Opens: Summer 2010
- Fall 2010 EPA Greater Research Opportunities (GRO) Fellowships for Undergraduate Environmental Study -Opens: Summer 2010
- Learn more about Fellowships

For more info:

http://www.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/#CurrentStar

United States Department of Energy

Office of Science

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Only currently active DOE SBIR or STTR Phase I recipients working under the DOE Funding Opportunity Number: DE-PS02-09ER09-27 are eligible to apply to this U. S. Department of Energy Phase II Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA).

Application deadline: June 7, 2010

For more info:

http://www.science.doe.gov/sbir/Files/DE-FOA-0000363ARRAPhasell.pdf

United States Department of Agriculture

Food and Nutrition Service - 2010 SNAP Participation Program

The Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 authorizes the Food and Nutrition Service to award grants to state agencies, public health and educational entities, and private nonprofit entities such as community-based or faith-based organizations, food banks, or other emergency feeding organizations, for projects aimed at simplifying the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) application and eligibility determination systems or improving access to SNAP benefits by eligible households.

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

State governments and tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

Application deadline: June 23, 2010

For more info:

http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/government/grants/2010-RFA.pdf

United States Department of Homeland Security

Grants

Grant guidance for the following programs has been released.

For more info:

http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm

United States Department of Homeland Security

FEMA

Disaster officials overseeing Bay State recovery efforts are urging individuals and businesses with damage or losses from March flooding to take advantage of the dwindling opportunities for face-to-face help, advice and guidance at any of the remaining Commonwealth-FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs).

As the recovery effort nears the two-month mark, the last recovery centers still operating will remain open only a short while longer. Any registered applicant from one of the seven disaster-designated counties may visit any of the three DRCs now open.

FEMA Teleregistration numbers: 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or 1-800-462-7585 (TTY) for the hearing and speech impaired

www.fema.gov

DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS OPEN

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) will be open beginning Wednesday, April 7, 2010 in five locations in Massachusetts to assist individuals, households and businesses affected by the severe storms and record-rainfall that flooded large areas of the state beginning March 12, 2010.

Each DRC is staffed with FEMA and Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) disaster recovery specialists, who are ready to help survivors through the process of applying for disaster assistance.

Homeowners, renters and business owners are urged to register before visiting a DRC by calling FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). Multilingual operators are available. Those with speech or hearing impairment may call TTY 800-462-7585 to apply. The toll-free telephone numbers will operate 7:00AM to 10:00PM daily until further notice. Registration can also be done online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov.

Once registered, FEMA disaster recovery specialists at a center can check an individual's case, answer questions about their claim, or request information FEMA needs to process their claim.

Recovery specialists can also supply contacts for other programs that may provide help as well as suggest low-cost riskreduction measures to make homes or businesses safer. Other federal agency representatives at the centers include IRS tax specialists to discuss disaster-related issues. Representatives from volunteer agencies are also available to suggest existing community resources to help in the recovery process.

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) representatives will be on hand at DRCs to meet with individuals and business owners to answer any questions about SBA's disaster loan program, help them complete their SBA disaster loan application and accept the completed disaster loan applications. Anyone not able to go to a DRC should call the SBA Customer Service Center from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. local time, Monday through Friday, at 800-659-2955 for information and assistance or visit the SBA Web site at www.sba.gov.

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) offers low-interest disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private non-profit organizations. These loans are to repair or replace homes, businesses and personal property not covered by insurance and damaged by the recent flooding.

Hours of operation will vary at each center. Locations and daily hours are:

Essex County Flint Public Library

1 South Main Street Middleton, MA 01949

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m.- 5 p.m.

Middlesex County

Billerica Public Library 15 Concord Road Billerica, MA 01821

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

United States Department of Justice

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2010 Local Solicitation

The JAG Program, administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), is the leading source of federal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. The JAG Program provides states, tribes, and local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas including law enforcement, prosecution and court, prevention and education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, planning, evaluation, and technology improvement, and crime victim and witness initiatives.

Application deadline: June 30, 2010

For more info:

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/10JAGLocalSol.pdf

United States Department of Justice

Office of Justice Programs – National Institute of Justice

National Institute of Justice is the research, development and evaluation agency of the U.S. Department of Justice. We provide objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to meet the challenges of crime and justice, particularly at the state and local levels.

National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center System: National Center (pdf)

Posted: April 7, 2010

Application Deadline: May 24, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of the BJA Drug Market Intervention (DMI) Training and Technical Assistance Initiative (pdf)

Posted: March 30, 2010

Application Deadline: May 28, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research and Evaluation on Human Trafficking (pdf)

Posted: March 30, 2010

Application Deadline: May 28, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research on International Organized Crime (pdf)S

Posted: March 30, 2010

Application Deadline: May 28, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Recovery Act: Evaluation of Recovery Act State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Developing and Evaluating Location-based Information Systems for Offender Supervision (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of the Bureau of Justice Assistance Second Chance Act Adult Demonstration Projects (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research and Evaluation on Children Exposed to Family Violence (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research and Evaluation on Sexual Violence, Stalking, and Teen Dating Violence (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research on Sentencing and Community-Based Alternatives to Incarceration (pdf)

Posted: March 1, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research on Foreclosures and Crime (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of the Attorney General's Children Exposed to Violence Demonstration Program: Phase I (pdf)

Posted: March 31, 2010

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of National Institute of Corrections Evidence-Based Decision Making Framework for Local Criminal Justice Systems (pdf)

Posted: April 9, 2010

Application Deadline: June 7, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of Programs to Reduce Gang Membership, Crime, and Violence (pdf)

Posted: April 12, 2010

Application Deadline: June 10, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Research on Eyewitness Identification Policies and Procedures (pdf)

Posted: April 16, 2010

Application Deadline: June 14, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of the Bureau of Justice Assistance Second Chance Act FY2010 State, Tribal, and Local Reentry Courts Program (pdf)

Posted: April 14, 2010

Application Deadline: June 14, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Evaluation of the Multi-site Demonstration Field Experiment: What Works in Reentry Research (pdf)

Posted: April 14, 2010

Application Deadline: June 14, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

Development, Delivery, and Evaluation of Sexual Assault Forensic Training Programs (pdf)

Posted: May 7, 2010

Application Deadline: June 21, 2010 11:45 PM eastern time.

NIJ's Visiting Fellowship Program (pdf)

Posted: May 5, 2010

Application Deadline: June 21, 2010 11:59 PM eastern time.

Call for Papers on Reentry (pdf)

Posted: May 18, 2010

Application Deadline: July 30, 2010 12:00 AM eastern time.

For more info:

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/funding/current.htm

United States Department of Justice

Attorney General's Children Exposed to Violence Demonstration Program: Phase I

This program seeks to create a comprehensive service delivery system that strategically expands existing partnerships to prevent and reduce the impact of children's exposure to violence in their homes, schools, and communities. The Department of Justice will fund a community strategic planning process, resulting in action plans that will prepare communities to implement collaborative cross-agency policy strategies and evidence-based practices across the services continuum and the developmental age spectrum of birth through 17. Exposure to violence includes being a victim of violence or a witness to violence and encompasses abuse, neglect, or child maltreatment, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, school violence, and community violence.

Application deadline: June 1, 2010

For more info:

http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2010/AGCEV.pdf

Small Business Administration

Small Business Innovation Research / Small Business Technology Transfer

PHS 2008-02 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH, CDC, and FDA for Small Business Innovation Research Grant Applications PHS 2008-02 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH for Small Business Technology Transfer Grant Applications

Receipt Date(s): August 5, December 5

For more info:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/sbirsttr1/2008-2 SBIR-STTR-topics.pdf

United States Department of Education

Recent Grant Notices

For more info:

<u>www.cfda.gov</u> – type in Program Number to search for more information.

United States Department of Education

Office of Innovation and Improvement - Promise Neighborhoods Planning Grants

Promise Neighborhoods, established under the legislative authority of the Fund for the Improvement of Education Program, provides funding to significantly improve the educational and developmental outcomes of all children in the most distressed communities, including rural and tribal communities, and to transform those communities.

Application deadline: June 25, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and institutions of higher education that must manage or partner with at least one school in the neighborhood

For more info:

http://www2.ed.gov/programs/promiseneighborhoods/index.html

United States Department of Education

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services - Rehabilitation Long-Term Training Grants

The Department of Education will issue grants to provide training or courses that will improve skills through comprehensive personnel development, rehabilitation training, and rehabilitation counseling.

Application deadline: June 7, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations, state agencies, and institutions of higher education

For more info:

http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-9508.htm

National Endowment for the Arts

Access to Artistic Excellence Grants

The National Endowment for the Arts will provide support for a wide array of artistic creativity, including dance, literature, music, and more, that will preserve diverse cultural heritage and make the arts more widely available in communities throughout the country. Applicants must select one of the following disciplines that is most appropriate to the project: artist communities; dance; design; folk and traditional arts; literature, local arts agencies; media arts; museums; music; musical theater; opera; presenting; theater; and visual arts. Access to Artistic Excellence supports projects for children and youth where the focus is exposure to or appreciation of the arts, whether activities take place in school, after school, during the summer, or in community settings. Such projects may include performances by or exhibitions of professional artists, and these arts events may be accompanied by ancillary learning activities, such as study guides for teachers and students, artists' visits prior to or following the event, workshops, lecture-demonstrations, or master classes).

Application deadline: August 12, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and public agencies

For more info:

www.arts.gov/grants/apply/Artsed.html

National Endowment for the Arts

Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth

The Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth category offers funding for projects that help children and youth acquire knowledge and understanding of and skills in the arts. Projects must provide participatory learning and engage students with skilled artists, teachers, and excellent art. Funded projects apply national or state arts education standards.

Application deadline: June 10, 2010

Kinds of Organizations Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status, state and local governments, independent school districts, and institutions of higher education

For more info:

www.arts.gov/grants/apply/GAP11/LITA.html

BE PREPARED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF GRANTS:

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) is the primary source of federal grants program information, although actual funding depends upon annual congressional budget appropriations. The Catalog is available free full-text on the Internet at http://www.cfda.gov/ and allows searching by keyword and by various indexes such as department, agency, program, subject, beneficiary, and applicant eligibility.

Federal grant funding opportunities are posted on the website Grants.gov http://www.grants.gov.

The website enables grant seekers to electronically find and apply for competitive grants from all federal agencies. Again, for full program information, CFDA numbers are given. The site also allows users to receive e-mail notification of future grant opportunities, to apply for federal grants online through a unified process, and to track their grant application after submission.

Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius unveiled a new feature on **Grants.gov** to help users find and apply for The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant opportunities.

The launch of this Recovery Act feature on the homepage of Grants.gov will direct users to Recovery Act opportunities, other Recovery Act resources, upcoming Webinars and links to www.recovery.gov.